H. R. 267.

FEBRUARY 28, 1821.

Read twice, and committed to a committee of the whole House to-morrow.

A BILL

Providing for the pay and re-organization of the marine corps.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives 1 of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That 2 from and after the first day of May next, the pay of the offi-3 cers, non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of 4 the marine corps shall be the same, in all respects whatsoever, 5 as the pay of the officers, non-commissioned officers, musi-6 cians, and privates of the army, now is or shall hereafter be 7 established by law. 8 Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the said corps 1 shall, from and after the first day of May next, consist of 2 nine captains, twenty-four first lieutenants, sixteen second 3 lieutenants, and eight hundred and thirty non-commissioned 4 officers, musicians, and privates.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted. That there shall be

one adjutant and inspector of the said corps. whose office

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shall be attached to the Department of the Navy, with the 3 rank and pay of a colonel in the army, who shall perform all 4 the duties at present performed by the adjutant and inspect-5 or and quartermaster of the corps, and, under the direction of 6 the Secretary of the Navy, shall issue all orders, grant all 7 furloughs, approve all requisitions, receive and examine all 8 returns appertaining to, or arising out of, the wants or servi-9 ces of the said corps, and also all the duties at present per-10 formed by the lieutenant colonel commandant of Marines: 11 and it shall further be the duty of the said adjutant and in-12 spector, to keep a record of all the requisitions for moneys 13 made by the paymaster, shewing distinctly the amount and 14

made by the paymaster, shewing distinctly the amount and objects for which they were drawn.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That there shall be one paymaster, whose duties shall be the same as heretofore prescribed by law, and that the said adjutant and inspector, and paymaster shall be taken from the officers of the corps.